

Proclamation 4794 of September 18, 1980**Constantino Brumidi Day****By the President of the United States of America****A Proclamation**

On September 18, 1852, a noted Italian artist named Constantino Brumidi arrived in this country as a political exile.

He spent the remainder of his life embellishing the United States Capitol with magnificent works of art and truly earned the description "Michelangelo of the Capitol of the United States."

Mr. Brumidi's gratitude for the liberty this nation provided to him and his contributions to our national heritage are a source of inspiration for all of us.

Ante, p. 1163.

In tribute to his achievements, the Congress of the United States of America, by House Joint Resolution 594, has requested the President to proclaim Thursday, September 18 as Constantino Brumidi Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, September 18, 1980, as Constantino Brumidi Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eighteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fifth.

JIMMY CARTER**Proclamation 4795 of September 22, 1980****National Day of Prayer, 1980****By the President of the United States of America****A Proclamation**

Our Nation's current electoral process is both testimony and example of the power of free men and women to govern themselves. Our forebears, drawing from a faith in the people rooted in a firm faith in God, launched this grand experiment in responsible self-government. In the days ahead, no matter what our individual political convictions, we can all be grateful for the honor and integrity of this noble process.

Without trying to impose our will on other nations, let us continue to hold high the torch of liberty and democracy that has illumined our land. Laying aside arrogance and false pride, let us continue to urge self-determination and human rights as the best way for peoples everywhere to realize their own full destiny.

Let us pray that freedom, in all its manifestations, may be the reality of the present and the wave of the future. Let us pray that people everywhere will be free—free even to make their own mistakes as they struggle to build a life of material security and spiritual satisfaction.